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In re Application of: **Slade H. Gardner**

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For: **Method of Forming Ecoceramic-Based Silicon-Carbide Tooling for Composites and  
Method for Forming Composites Using Same**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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